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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 [AMENDMENT "D"]

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated October 9, 2003. The three month response period expired on January 9, 2004. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time up to and including February 9, 2004. A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1).

In response to the Office action of October 9, 2003, and the personal interview of January 27, 2004, paper nos. 18 and 19, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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